

Chemistry

Course Syllabus

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Suggested Supply List:

- ❖ One three-ring binder with paper or a notebook.
- ❖ Pens and pencils
- ❖ Scientific calculator

Grading Scale:

Assessments = 40%

Practice Work = 40%

Final Exam = 20%

****When I grade worksheets and quizzes, I average multiple assignments for the unit. I also replace low quiz grades with the unit test grades. Finally, I do test replacement with the final exam. In order to qualify for these opportunities, you must sign up for Remind and complete all study guides.**

Procedures:

- ❖ Work can be made up in the case of EXCUSED absences. **You are responsible for obtaining any missed work.** All work must be made up within the number of days missed by the student. (Ex. If a student misses 1 day, then they have 1 day to complete make up work. If a student misses 2 days, then they have 2 days to complete make up work.) TESTS AND QUIZZES MUST BE MADE UP THE DAY THE STUDENT RETURNS TO SCHOOL!!!
- ❖ Keep the room neat and clean by **NOT** writing on the cabinets, counter tops, tables, or anything else that is in the room!!
- ❖ Put trash in the trash can.
- ❖ Write clearly. If I cannot read it, then I cannot grade it. I will mark any answers wrong that I cannot read.
- ❖ A late grade will be given to work that is turned in up to **one** day late. The highest that a student can score on a late assignment is a 70. Work turned in more than one day late will result in a zero. Work with no name on it will result in a late grade.
- ❖ No eating or drinking (other than water) is allowed in class. This is a lab class!
- ❖ No sitting on my counters or hanging out at my lab stations unless I give you permission.
- ❖ I will follow the cell phone policy set by the school. Phones should be put away unless they are being used to complete an academic task.

CHEATING POLICY

Any type of cheating results in a zero for the assignment. Cheating includes but is not limited to copying someone's work, allowing someone to copy your work, plagiarism from a book or the internet, using a cheat sheet, looking at someone else's paper, using a cell phone or electronic device during a test or quiz, talking during a test or quiz, storing information in your

calculator, turning in any dishonest work, etc. Cheating and plagiarism are serious offenses. There will be NO second chances.

Teacher's Responsibilities

Below I have listed some of the responsibilities that I assume during the school year.

1. Maintain high standards for EVERY student.
2. Be prepared each day.
3. Make lesson plans and post them on a calendar located on the board.
4. Post standards and learning targets.
5. Make PowerPoints and notes packets to use during lectures.
6. Make copies needed for the students.
7. Plan, set up, and supervise laboratory activities.
8. Grade work in a timely manner.
9. Update Infinite Campus every 2 weeks.
10. Provide tutoring opportunities.
11. Contact parents with any concerns.
12. Attend parent conferences.
13. Respond to parent e-mails within 24 hours.
14. Plan review games and activities for tests.
15. Make practice work to prepare for tests and quizzes.
16. Design tests and quizzes to determine understanding of concepts.
17. Create projects that are related to the standards.
18. Show excitement and enthusiasm during class.
19. Take attendance daily and enter into Infinite Campus.
20. Update website with handouts, important information, worksheets, and lab handouts.
21. Post tutorial videos on website for assist struggling students.
22. Maintain a healthy and safe classroom environment through discipline.
23. Prepare chemical demonstrations to engage students.
24. Put extra practice assignments on my website for students that need more practice.
25. Provide support for students during assignments.
26. Hold students responsible for their actions.
27. Treat students with respect.
28. Follow discipline and tardy procedures stated in the student handbook.
29. Provide remediation as necessary.
30. Closely monitor lab activities to ensure that all safety rules are followed.
31. Post lesson videos on my school website for students that are absent or struggling.

I will uphold these responsibilities throughout the school year in order to promote student success.

Student's Responsibilities

Below I have listed some responsibilities that the students are expected to have in order to be successful during the school year.

1. Be respectful to the teacher and to other students.
2. Use the calendars on my board for due dates.
3. Be engaged in class and while taking notes.
4. Follow safety rules in lab.
5. Utilize my website resources for extra help.
6. Read the textbook.
7. Study for tests and quizzes.
8. Complete projects and lab reports through group work.
9. Be at school and on time each day.
10. Be prepared for class each day.
11. Take responsibility for your actions because you are almost an adult. (This includes using technology appropriately!)
12. No cheating.
13. Follow guidelines in the student handbook.
14. Obtain missing work for absences.
15. Consistently put forth effort the entire school year.

Parents'/Guardians' Responsibilities

Below I have listed some responsibilities that are important for the success of your student in my class.

1. Check Infinite Campus frequently. You should not be surprised by your student's grade at a parent conference or when you receive an e-mail. (You can get a login and password at the counselors' office.)
2. Make sure your student is doing homework whether it is written work or just studying. (If your student is struggling and claim that they don't have homework, then I have listed some options below.) They can ...
 - a. read over their notes.
 - b. read the chapter in the book.
 - c. rework problems that we did in class.
 - d. make flashcards to use for vocabulary words.
 - e. watch the tutorial videos on my website.
 - f. use tutorials found on the Khan Academy website.
 - g. do practice problems from the book.
 - h. do the extra practice worksheets that I have posted on my website.
 - i. review my PowerPoints on my website.
 - j. practice the review games that I post on my website.
3. Hold your student accountable for their actions.
4. Read over my cheating policy above.

5. Visit my website to become familiar with the setup. My website address is <https://schoolwires.henry.k12.ga.us/Domain/3700>. It can be accessed through the school website under faculty/staff tab.

LGHS Lab Safety Contract

I WILL:

1. Follow all laboratory instructions given by the science instructor according to this contract and the Flinn Scientific's Student Safety Rules.
2. Protect my eyes, face, hands and body by wearing proper lab attire when involved in lab activities.
3. Carry out good housekeeping practices (clean up after myself) and dispose of chemicals properly according to the chemical guidelines.
4. Know where to get help fast and report **all** accidents, incidents, and safety violations to my instructor immediately.
5. Know the location of the first aid kit, eye washers, fire blanket, fire extinguisher, safety goggles, shower and exit doors.
6. Conduct myself in a ready, respectful and responsible manner at all times.
7. Read the lab instructions before class. All pre-labs must be completed as assigned.
8. Ask the teacher for help when needed.
9. **Lab Equipment Policy:** Students are responsible for checking off equipment at the beginning of lab and reporting missing equipment. Students are responsible for paying for any lab equipment that is broken or missing from their lab group.
10. Follow all rules and guidelines in the class syllabus.

Safety Questions:

Do you wear contact lenses?

YES NO

Are you color blind?

YES NO

Do you have allergies? If so, list specific allergies _____

YES NO

I HAVE:

1. Read, understood, and agree to follow laboratory safety rules and regulations.
2. Answered the safety questions above honestly, and to the best of my knowledge.
3. Been made aware that violations to the safety contract can result in disciplinary action up to permanent removal from further laboratory experiments in my current science. This may have a negative impact on my grade.

4. Been informed that pictures may be taken during labs and posted to the school webpage or displayed during school functions.
5. Read, understood and agree to follow the rules and procedures listed in the class syllabus.

Student:

I, _____, have read and agree to follow the safety rules and regulations set forth in this contract and the class syllabus. I will closely follow the oral and/or written instructions provided by the teacher.

→ Date: _____ Student Signature: _____

Parent/Guardian:

Your signature of this contract indicates that you have read this Lab Safety Contract and class syllabus, so you are aware of the measures taken to ensure the safety of your son/daughter in the science laboratory, and will instruct your son/daughter to uphold his/her agreement to follow these rules and procedures in the laboratory and in class.

→ Date: _____ Parent Signature: _____

Please list anything else that I need to know about your student below (Ex: 504, IEP, health problems, etc.)